

Livewire

Hillside United Methodist June 2025

WORSHIP AT 11 AM EVERY SUNDAY

Pastor's Message

The 171st session of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will take place June 11-13. Think of everything that has gone into getting the Conference to this point, as countless changes have occurred in the church, in our state, nation, and around the world. Our annual gathering of the Methodists of Minnesota has sought to address the world we live in and all of its changes through the inspiration of Jesus Christ. This year the theme of the Annual Conference is, "Created to Love Boldly," based on 1 John 4. John Wesley's favorite chapter in all scripture was 1 John 4, and when we read his, "Notes on the New Testament," we see the things we would expect to find and some we may not. In response to verse 19 Wesley wrote, "We love him, because he first loved us – This is the sum of all religion, the genuine model of Christianity. None can say more: why should anyone say less, or less intelligibly?" This is the foundation of our faith.

Like any foundation we build up from there. In building our life of faith, we have to avoid the kind of construction that becomes hazardous. John Wesley has something to say about that in reference to verse 21: "That he who loveth god love his brother – Every one, whatever his opinions or mode of worship be, purely because he is the child, and bears the image, of God. Bigotry is properly the want of this pure and universal love. A bigot only loves those who embrace his opinions, and receive his way of worship; and he loves them for that, and not for Christ's sake. As we gather the Methodists of Minnesota and focus on being, "Created to Love Boldly," it is easy to slip into the bigotry of only loving those who agree with us and to love them simply because they agree with us. Please pray over our gathering that we will love with the same mindset and goal as Jesus, "that all of them may be one."

**Breathe Peace,
Rev. Jeremy Woodley**

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July 2025 Livewire deadline is Tuesday, June 19, 2025

**FINANCIAL GIVING FROM
MAY 4TH THROUGH MAY 25TH
AMOUNT NEEDED PER MONTH \$8,686**

May 4	\$ 1,815.00
May 11	\$ 820.00
May 18	\$ 3,049.46
May 25	\$ 710.00
Total	\$ 6,394.46
Balance	– \$ 2,291.54

Youth Ministry/Confirmation Schedule

We are excited to join with the churches of the Twin Ports United Methodist Ministries as we come together to provide programs for our youth!

Here are some important dates to remember:

June 16-20 – Local Duluth Youth Outreach Week. We will partner with Pilgrim UCC each day to serve our community.

July 28-31 – Youth Mission Trip to St. Paul
Focusing on relationships, sharing meals, sharing thoughts, and Growing in the Love of God and neighbors.

YOUTH GROUP

HUGE Rummage Sale

Supporting....
Harbor House Crisis Shelters
United Women In Faith
Faith United Methodist Church

Free Will Offering!!

We are selling...
Hot Dogs, Burgers,
Baked Goods, Chips,
Soda, and More!

June 26th 2pm–6pm
June 27th 10am–5pm
June 28th 9am–1pm

To donate contact
Irene (608)719- 8958 or
Krystal (715)704-0035 or
Lily.H@dharborhouseecs.org

1531 Hughitt Ave.
Superior, WI 54880

Happy June Birthday to our Hillside Friends!

1 Morgan Durfee
9 Jane Olson

30 Joan Duff

If you don't see your name here, please call the church office so we can add you to the birthday list. Hillside UMC's phone number is 218-727-4257.



Thank you to all those who quietly give their time, effort, and skills to our church and community.



Loaves & Fishes

On Tuesday May 13th, the meal our church provided for the Dorothy Day House was beef stew, cole slaw, good hearty bread and cookies.

The stew was made with browned stew meat, onions, potatoes, carrots, and rutabagas. The cole slaw was grated cabbage, grated carrots, cut fresh apple, and cole slaw dressing.

The extras this month were toilet paper, paper towels, laundry soap, dish soap, toilet bowl cleaner, and disinfectant wipes.

Thanks to everyone who helps with this Mission Project with cash donations that buy the groceries, the ladies who prepare the meal, and to Cliff and Diane who pack up the hot meals and delivers it to the hungry men.

Keep the prayers coming for all hungry and homeless people.

Blessings from Carolyn Dahl

Please Keep Us in Your Prayers

Marge Dahl, Clareen Suomala, Shirley Olson, MJ Kuhlmeier, and Vi Lyness.



Help Out With PRAYERS

We all know how much prayer helps us at special times. Hillside has a prayer chain that we start when someone needs these special prayers but we need more of us on that "chain". Could you be a prayer warrior?

It works like this:

Either Carolyn or Carole receives a call from one of you or from Pastor Jeremy to start our prayer chain. We would call you and ask you to say a prayer for the person that needs it and then call one other person (to pass on the message). So, you would only be calling one person but more prayers are better than one person praying. Right now, we are down to six people on our prayer chain and we really want more of you to participate. If you are willing, please call:

Carolyn at 218-727-6342 or Carole at 218-606-1236.

June 2025 Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship with us 11 AM each Sunday morning at Hillside United Methodist Church. Join us for coffee and conversation at 10:30 AM before worship. We work hard to make our space warm and hospitable for all-comers.

- ♦ June 1 John 17:20-26 – “All I Have is Yours”
- ♦ June 8 Acts 2:3-21 – “What Language Barrier?”
- ♦ June 15 1 John 4:7-16 – “Happily Ever After: Beauty”
- ♦ June 22 Luke 15:11-32 – “Happily Ever After: Lion King”
- ♦ June 29 Numbers 22:20-35 – “Happily Ever After: Shrek”



Rhubarb Fest is Moving to Asbury

Join the fun and support our neighbors at the 2025 Chum Rhubarb Festival on **Saturday, June 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church** (6822 Grand Ave). Asbury is inviting their congregation to take part by baking rhubarb treats, volunteering, and spreading the word! To help out as a volunteer, check out the website chumduluth.org/rhubarbfestival. Chum's 20th annual Rhubarb Festival promises lots of rhubarb — including hundreds of pies, muffins and crisps, as well as rhubarb brats and burritos. There will also be live music, games, crafts, auctions and stage shows.



Rhubarb Fest, and the work of Chum in general, benefits people experiencing homelessness in Duluth. Every pie sold, bratwurst eaten and lemonade slurped helps bolster programs to better serve the people who depend on Chum's services.

Monthly Donation Ideas for CHUM

CHUM has compiled a list of ideas for donations for each month of the year. The list of items for the month of May includes:

Soup (larger cans or two of the same kind), canned vegetables.



Monetary donations are always welcome at CHUM, and anything you can give is very much appreciated.



The Hillside UMC Book Club meets on the first Thursday of each month.

The next meeting will be **June 5th** at 7 pm and the book of choice is

“The Women” by Kristin Hannah. Since a significant anniversary of the Vietnam War is approaching, this book might give some insights into the lives of survivors. If you would like to join the Book Club or have any questions, please contact:

Sandra Wilmot at 218-348-2712.



Save the date: National Night Out August 5th

National Night Out in 2025 will be held on Tuesday, August 5th. It's a nationwide event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to enhance crime prevention awareness and strengthen community bonds. It's an opportunity for communities to come together, meet their neighbors, and build relationships that can enhance safety and security. Let's get ready to picnic in the parking lot!



Thursday Bible Study & Fellowship is taking a break for the summer.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST June 15, 2025



Let's honor all the men in our congregation with a great he-man breakfast on Father's Day, June 15th. It will be POTLUCK so bring your favorite breads, eggs, fruit, juice, whatever and share it on the serving table. PLAN AHEAD and come to socialize with your church family members on June 15th from 10:00 – 10:45 we will be offering a variety of food and hope you can celebrate the day with us by bringing something to contribute to our serving table.

Bring your favorite quick bread, bakery item, hard boiled eggs or whatever is easy and quick to eat. We will put everything out on the serving table and let you serve yourself. We are thinking this will be nice and easy for everyone and we are hoping you will think so, too.

Grandma's Marathon June 21, 2025

Since our inaugural race in 1977, Grandma's Marathon has grown into something much bigger than just a 26.2-mile race along the scenic North Shore of Minnesota. It's now become a "can't-miss" weekend in June, a moment when participants of all calibers come together to celebrate the vigor of the human spirit.



Each year, the event relies on the work, talent, and energy of over 5,000 volunteers, more than 100 sponsors, and countless other community partners to create the magical space for the 20,000+ participants to enjoy come race weekend. If you want to enjoy the race close up and personal, volunteer to help! They are always looking for fun, hardworking people to take part in helping out! Check out the website for info: <https://grandmasmarathon.com/support-us/>

Park Point Art Fair June 28 & 29, 2025 10am-5pm



Artists and patrons of the arts praise the consistently high quality of the Park Point Art Fair. This event exists to showcase professionally juried artists in a stunning natural environment. While attendees will find a focus on the visual artists their experience is enhanced with music, demonstrations and interactive art making opportunities.

For 53 years the Park Point Community Club has hosted The Park Point Art Fair at the Park Point Recreation Area on the last full weekend in June.

Park Point is a premiere and unique setting, the largest freshwater baymouth bar in the world. The Art Fair includes 110 artists from across the region and nation who exhibit their award-winning work in a festive setting. Artists are awarded for excellence based on a review on site by art professionals. The Club awards a total of \$1,300 to artists in seven categories as well as a Best of Show.

"Serenity Mass, be Still and Know" at Pilgrim Congregational

During this challenging and fearful time in our nation, Pilgrim Congregational Church is grateful and honored to offer a performance of "Serenity Mass, be Still and Know," (Psalm 46), composed by Twin Ports musician David Packa. He is a local musician passionate about sharing accessible and enriching music that is beautiful, evocative, and expressive; music that is accessible and brings people together. David has written this Mass to "help carry the faithful through difficult and tumultuous times." Performed for the first time this past February at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Superior, we at Pilgrim Congregational wanted to make this gorgeous and inspiring music available to many more people in our Twin Ports.



This performance will be **Sunday June 8 at 2 PM**, with a reception and refreshments following the performance. There is no charge for admission, however they are asking for a free will donation for Chum.

If you have an emergency... Please call Pastor Jeremy on his cell at 218-825-2174. If you cannot reach him, contact Carole Hawkinson at 218-606-1236 or Carolyn Dahl at 218-727-6342 for assistance.

2025 Minnesota Annual Conference and Love Offering

Each year, United Methodist Churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference hold their Annual Conference and take a Love Offering for missions in conjunction with the Annual Conference Session.

The theme of the 2025 Annual Conference, which will take place June 11-13, is "Created for Love" drawing from 1 John 4:7-21. **Leroy Britton** will be attending and representing Hillside and **Kathie Gajewski** will attend as an Equalization member. Bishop Lanette Plambeck invites congregations to pray about and participate in the Love Offering as an expression of our gratitude for God's blessings in our lives. Our Love Offering this year will go to student scholarships at Africa University, the Immigration Law and Justice Network, OC Ministries, and Midwest Mission. Ten percent of the Love Offering each year goes to Volunteers in Mission scholarships, which support first-time mission trip participants.



Hillside United Methodist Church Administrative Council Meeting – May 7, 2025

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Those in attendance: Carolyn Dahl, Carole Hawkinson, Jim Leland, Dave McKowski, Sandy Wilmot and Pastor Jeremy Woodley. Our meeting was called to order and an opening prayer given by Carolyn Dahl, Chair.

MSC (McKowski/Leland) to accept the secretary's minutes of the April 2025 meeting.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and filed for audit. Carolyn will provide Jim with information on where to send our yearly dues for TPUMM.

Dave has been trying to meet with someone from First UMC regarding possible help with our required audit. He will keep on it. Pastor Jeremy is having lunch with the local pastors tomorrow and will ask about it there.

Pastor Jeremy is registered for Annual Conference on

June 10-13, 2025.

The Moose Lake Church has volunteered to pay a portion of this registration. He will get LeRoy registered soon. Pastor and his family will be on vacation June 16-20. June 17-19 are the days our youth will be joining with those from Pilgrim Congregational to do some local service projects followed by an over-night at Pilgrim. They will be going down to St. Paul to do further service projects July 28-31.

Sandy will be calling all SPRC members to meet on Sunday, May 18th following worship and also scheduling meetings with staff members to do their annual reviews. Pastor Jeremy showed her an assessment form for himself, which he will complete and have ready for the review.

Carole reported for the Trustees that the drain that was plugged up in March cost us \$1150.00 to have repaired. Our operating permit for the City of Duluth has been completed and Jim will mail the appropriate check. The repair of the windows will be completed early this summer.

There has been a persistent leak in the back wall of the kitchen with water having to be cleaned up several times.

The Lamp Lighters visited both Shirley Olson and Vi Lyness in March, finding them both doing well.

Our Missions have included the monthly meal to the Loaves and Fishes folks, giving some food from the Food Shelf table to some folks from Wisconsin who spoke with Pastor Jeremy recently. Carole supplied information on a possible new charity for us to support at Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter: The Bob Tavani House for medical respite for the unhoused. We can visit this at our next meeting.

National Night Out will be August 6, 2025 and will begin the process of pulling this neighborhood party together. Sandy will speak with Sue Brewer to "get us on the list."

Notes taken by Carole Hawkinson

Hillside UMC April 2025 Treasurer's Report

Hillside UMC April 2025	Current Mth	YTD last mth	New YTD	Budget
1000 Apportionments		\$ 1,783.50	\$ 1,783.50	\$ 9,265.00
1040 TPUMM			\$ -	\$ 75.00
Sub.Total	\$ -	\$ 1,783.50	\$ 1,783.50	\$ 9,340.00
Worship/Music				
2130 Pulpit Supply			\$ -	\$ 450.00
2140 Worship Supplies	\$ 18.92	\$ 210.30	\$ 229.22	\$ 300.00
2150 Copying License			\$ -	\$ 165.00
2180 Accompanist	\$ 849.82	\$ 1,898.66	\$ 2,748.48	\$ 8,100.00
Sub Total	\$ 868.74	\$ 2,108.96	\$ 2,977.70	\$ 9,015.00
Committees				
2300 Stewardship			\$ -	\$ 100.00
2400 Bree/ Membership		\$ 288.00	\$ 288.00	\$ 864.00
2900 SPRC			\$ -	\$ 250.00
Sub Total	\$ -	\$ 288.00	\$ 288.00	\$ 1,214.00
Pastor's Compensation				
3010 Salary	\$ 2,277.93	\$ 6,470.90	\$ 8,748.83	\$ 26,400.00
3020 Housing	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,475.00	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 9,900.00
3030 Pension	\$ 202.12	\$ 600.57	\$ 802.69	\$ 2,560.00
3070 Continuing Ed.			\$ -	\$ 330.00
3080 Personal Exp./Mileage			\$ -	\$ 2,805.00
Sub Total	\$ 3,305.05	\$ 9,546.47	\$ 12,851.52	\$ 41,995.00
Serving Our Congregation				
4010 Administrative Assist	\$ 871.40	\$ 2,322.05	\$ 3,193.45	\$ 9,936.00
4020 Staff Social Sec.	\$ 400.86	\$ 356.42	\$ 757.28	\$ 1,600.00
4025 Payroll Proc.	\$ 236.00	\$ 377.00	\$ 613.00	\$ 1,350.00
4030 Office Supplies	\$ 23.94	\$ 24.65	\$ 48.59	\$ 600.00
4040 Office Equipment	\$ 92.72	\$ 376.16	\$ 468.88	\$ 1,700.00
4050 Postage		\$ 17.28	\$ 17.28	\$ 500.00
4070 Annual Conference			\$ -	\$ 1,300.00
4080 Child Care	\$ 105.76	\$ 233.97	\$ 339.73	\$ 1,081.00
4090 Website			\$ -	\$ 475.00
4095 Misc.			\$ -	\$ 150.00
SubTotal	\$ 1,730.68	\$ 3,707.53	\$ 5,438.21	\$ 18,692.00
Maintaining our build				
5010 Custodian's Salary	\$ 276.96	\$ 737.84	\$ 1,014.80	\$ 2,500.00
5020 Custodian's Sup.			\$ -	\$ 200.00
5030 Utilities	\$ 784.39	\$ 2,577.25	\$ 3,361.64	\$ 9,340.00
5040 Insurance		\$ 992.03	\$ 992.03	\$ 5,000.00
5060 snow removal		\$ 1,066.00	\$ 1,066.00	\$ 5,000.00
5080 Elevator Maint			\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
5090 BuildingMaint	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 500.82	\$ 1,650.82	\$ 3,100.00
Sub Total	\$ 2,211.35	\$ 5,873.94	\$ 8,085.29	\$ 26,640.00
Totals	\$ 8,115.82	\$ 23,308.40	\$ 31,424.22	\$ 106,896.00
Envelopes	\$ 6,066.00	\$ 14,440.00	\$ 20,506.00	
Other income	\$ 1,418.00	\$ 6,816.00	\$ 8,234.00	
Total	\$ 7,484.00		\$ 28,740.00	
YTD Difference			\$ (2,684.00)	

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